



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF CHICAGO

RAHM EMANUEL  
MAYOR

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Tangaza College  
The School for New Learning at DePaul University  
Nairobi, Kenya

Dear Graduates:

As Mayor, and on behalf of the people of the City of Chicago, I am pleased to extend heartfelt congratulations to all of you on this momentous occasion.

As the 2014 Graduating Class of DePaul University's School for New Learning at Tangaza College in Nairobi, Kenya, you stand among a generation of leaders called to serve both your local and global community. Because of your ongoing commitment to culture and social justice, you exemplify what DePaul and its School for New Learning are all about. I have no doubt that the same diligence and tenacity that cleared the path for this great achievement today will also support you in shaping the tools to serve your communities while inspiring those around you.

Chicago is the proud home of diverse citizens from around the world, and I join them today in acknowledging you, and your teachers and parents as well as all of those who contributed to your enduring success. DePaul and Tangaza enhance Chicago and Nairobi's standings as world-class cities and true hubs for learning. Together, they promote the power of education and understanding by forming a bridge across continents. Your wide array of experiences and gifts – and visits to Chicago – serves and empowers countless students, and impacts the lives of all Chicagoans. I commend DePaul University and The School for New Learning alongside Tangaza College of Nairobi for this visionary collaboration that shepherds culture, community and change.

Again, I offer heartfelt congratulations as you celebrate your hard-earned diplomas. Best wishes for much continued success.

Sincerely,

Mayor